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Before the Examiner:

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of December 1, 2005 (Paper No. 8), having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on March 1, 2006, Applicant respectfully reinstates the Appeal Brief filed on September 1, 2005 by filing herewith a second notice of appeal in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §41.31 and filing separately a complete new Appeal Brief in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §41.37. Applicant notes that any fees paid for the first notice of appeal and for the first Appeal Brief previously paid will be applied to this second appeal.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.8

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, on February __1, 2005.

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